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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a \( \) continuation \( \) divisional \( \) continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. \( \) 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/512,882 filed on February 25, 2000, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. by:

K. Diane JOFUKU and Anne-Marie BOUCKAERT

for:

METHODS OF ISOLATING AND/OR IDENTIFYING RELATED PLANT SEQUENCES

 Enclosed is an application consisting of a specification (25 pages), claims (15 pages), and an abstract (1 page) totaling forty one (41) pages. 2.  $\square$  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                     |                 |                 | LARGE ENTITY  | SMALL ENTITY |
|                                     | BASIC FEE       |                 | \$710.00      | \$370.00     |
|                                     | NUMBER<br>FILED | NUMBER<br>EXTRA | RATE FEE      | RATE FEE     |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS                     | 46-20 =         | 26              | x 18 = \$0.00 | x 9 = \$234  |
| INDEPENDENT                         | 12-3 =          | 9               | x 80 = \$0.00 | x 40 = \$360 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED |                 |                 | + \$270.00    | + \$140.00   |
|                                     | ·               | TOTAL           | \$0.00        | \$1104.00    |

- 3. 

  A check in the amount of \$0.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1055 in the amount of \$1,104.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.
- 5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

  - is a continuation --This application b. 🗌 ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/512,882 , filed on February 25, 2000and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120. Application No. 09/512,882 is the national PCT International Application phase of filed on under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application under 35 U.S.C. § filed in on No. 119.--

| 6.  |             | <pre>Enclosed is/are () sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.</pre>                                |
|-----|-------------|--|
| 7a. | $\boxtimes$ | A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/512,882 on February 25, 2000. |
| 7b. | $\boxtimes$ | The current application qualifies for small entity status.   |
| 8.  |             | The prior application is assigned to   |
| 9.  |             | A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.   |
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10a. Maximum This application is a continuation of co-pending Application No. 09/512,882 (Attorney No. 2750-0198P), filed on February 25, 2000, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference. Through application no. 09/512,882, this application also claims priority under 35 USC §119(e) of the following provisional application, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference:

| Country       | Filing Date | Attorney No. | Application No. |
|---------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| United States | 10/25/99    | 2750-0117P   | 60/121,700      |

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- 13. An extension of time for five (5) month(s) until August 18, 2003 has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/512,882 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- 14. 

  Also enclosed herewith is the following: Sequence Listing (10 pages)

Two identical sets of two (2) CD-Rs created using IBM-PC, MS-Windows operating system are also enclosed herewith. The files contained on the CD-R are as follows:

If the Primary Deposit Account No. **50-1055** is deficient and non-payment will result in a loss of rights, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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